

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: SHRINKAGE CONTROL MATERIAL:

AND ELASTOMERIC MOLDING

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 19, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please amend Claims 1, 6 and 18 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A shrinkage control material comprising:

a resilient metal wire; and

a heat treated adhesive layer on the metal wire, the adhesive layer having adhesion to elastomeric material, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a chlorinated rubber and a chlorosulfonated polyethylene rubber, and the adhesive layer is from 5 µm to 25 µm thick.

6. (Twice Amended) A elastomeric molding comprising:

a shrinkage control material having

a resilient metal wire; and

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